

Intimations.

Rosenstock's
Directory...

The canvass of the Hongkong Section for Volume 13 of Rosenstock's Hongkong, Manila, Shanghai Directory is now being made. This issue of the Directory will contain a complete Alphabetical and Classified Directory of Hongkong, Manila, Shanghai, Canton and Macao.

VOLUME 13 OF
ROSENSTOCK'S DIRECTORY
WILL BE ON SALE IN
JULY, 1908.

All names of firms not appearing in the present issue of the Directory may be inserted free of any cost with their class of business and Staff, by sending same to the local office not later than May 30, 1908.

Names should be sent to the Local Office at once.

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19, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL or P. O. BOX 218.
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FOR SALE, REPAIR AND HIRE.
Price Very Cheap.

New Bicycles ('Humber') \$100 each
REPAIRS UNDERTAKEN.

MOTOR LAUNCHES FOR HIRE from \$2 per hour.

SOLE AGENT FOR
The Famous Humber Cycles.

DRAGON CYCLE DEPOT,

Note New Address: 33 & 35, Des Voeux Road.
Hongkong, March 3, 1908.

WELLINGTON KNIFE POLISH
BEST FOR CLEANING AND POLISHING
CUTLERY - 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

JOHN OAKLEY & SONS
BLACK LEAD MILLS LONDON

JOHN OAKLEY & SONS LIMITED, WELLINGTON MILLS LONDON

ENO'S 'FRUIT SALT'

A HOUSEHOLD REMEDY FOR

All Functional Derangements of the Liver, Temporary Congestion arising from Alcohol, Bitterness, Errors in Diet, (Biting or Drinking), Biliousness, Sick Headache, Giddiness, Oppression or Feeling of Melancholy, Vomiting, Heartburn, Sourness of the Stomach, or Constipation. It is a Refreshing and Invigorating Beverage, most Invaluable to Travellers, Emigrants, Sailors, and Residents in Tropical Climates.

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CAUTION:—Beware of the cheap imitations of this famous 'FRUIT SALT' which are sold in many parts of the world. The name 'ENO'S' is prominent on the wrapper, and the name 'J. C. ENO'S' is prominent on the wrapper.

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Sole by Chemists and Stores everywhere.

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TONIC, RESTORATIVE, DIGESTIVE WINE
Very palatable.

Known throughout the world and prescribed in all cases of Anemia, Debility and Convalescence, to young women, children and the aged, invaluable in hot climates.

DOSE: One wine-glass after the two principal meals.

Each bottle of genuine VIN SAINT-RAPHAEL bears, in addition to the registered trade-mark:

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GEO. P. LAMMERT
AUCTIONEER.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,
the 25th June, 1908, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, DUNDRELL STREET.

A QUANTITY OF
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—
TAPESTRY COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, TEAK SIDEBOARD WITH MIRRORS, DINING WAGGONS, DINING TABLE, TEAK WARDROBES WITH TAPESTRY MIRRORS, TOILET TABLES, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS, BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEPS, &c., &c.

TOILET, TEA AND DINING SETS.
PLATED WARE AND CUTLERY.

A Few Pieces CHERRY BLACKWOOD WARE, and
One COTTAGE PIANO by 'The Robinson Piano Co.'

Two COTTAGE PIANOS by 'Laurie.'
One COTTAGE PIANO by 'Moulds & Co.'
Two GRAND PIANOS by 'Collard and Collard.'

A Selection of the BOUND NOVELS (Matheson Colonial Library).
One SET ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA.
One SET WORLD'S GREAT CLASSICS.

TERMS:—As Customary.
On View from Wednesday, the 24th June, 1908.

FRIDAY,
the 26th June, 1908, commencing at 3 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, DUNDRELL STREET.

A Choice Lot of DIAMOND RINGS, EAR-RINGS, and BROOCHES, PEARL RINGS, EAR-RINGS and BROOCHES, GOLD CHAINS, WATCHES, SILVER LINKS, AMERICAN 81 OF GOLD PIECES.

TERMS:—As Customary.
On View on day of Sale.

MONDAY,
the 29th June, 1908, commencing at 2.45 P.M., at No. 3, BLUE BUILDINGS (Top Floor).

A QUANTITY OF
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

(Particulars from Catalogue).
TERMS:—As Customary.
On View from 2 P.M. on the 27th June, 1908.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR GEO. P. LAMMERT has instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,
the 30th June, 1908, at 12 o'clock Noon, at his Sales Rooms, DUNDRELL STREET.

THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES
IN ONE LOT
known as Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, SUM STREET.

Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

WANCHAI, HONGKONG.

The Properties consist of All those pieces or parcels of ground situated at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office of Hongkong under Nos. 1480, 1481, 1482, 1483, 1484, 1485, 1486, 1487, 1488, 1489, 1490, 1491, 1492, 1493, 1494, 1495, 1496, 1497, 1498, 1499, 1500, 1501, 1502, 1503, 1504, 1505, 1506, 1507, 1508, 1509, 1510, 1511, 1512, 1513, 1514, 1515, 1516, 1517, 1518, 1519, 1520, 1521, 1522, 1523, 1524, 1525, 1526, 1527, 1528, 1529, 1530, 1531, 1532, 1533, 1534, 1535, 1536, 1537, 1538, 1539, 1540, 1541, 1542, 1543, 1544, 1545, 1546, 1547, 1548, 1549, 1550, 1551, 1552, 1553, 1554, 1555, 1556, 1557, 1558, 1559, 1560, 1561, 1562, 1563, 1564, 1565, 1566, 1567, 1568, 1569, 1570, 1571, 1572, 1573, 1574, 1575, 1576, 1577, 1578, 1579, 1580, 1581, 1582, 1583, 1584, 1585, 1586, 1587, 1588, 1589, 1590, 1591, 1592, 1593, 1594, 1595, 1596, 1597, 1598, 1599, 1600, 1601, 1602, 1603, 1604, 1605, 1606, 1607, 1608, 1609, 1610, 1611, 1612, 1613, 1614, 1615, 1616, 1617, 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Excellent Cooking by An Chokso, for
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Macao, May 16, 1908. 736

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MUSICAL EVENINGSATURDAY Next, the 27th inst.,
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105th M.L. Band under Bandmaster
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Hongkong, June 16, 1908. 853

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Hongkong, December 23, 1907. 1748

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INSURANCE COMPANY.TOTAL FUNDS at 31st December, 1908,
£17,837,112

—Authorized Capital £3,000,000

Subscribed Capital £2,760,000

Paid-up Capital £987,500 0 0

—Fire Funds 3,382,720 19 8

—Life & Annuity Funds 18,742,398 8 8

£17,837,112 8 1

Revenue Fire Branch... £5,081,044 19 8

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£5,794,453 19 8

The Accumulated Funds of the Fire and
Life Departments are free from liability in
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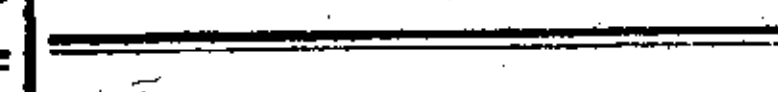
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A Blend of the Finest Pure

Malt Whiskies distilled in

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Superior Pale Dry.

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Rainier Beer

LIGHT, wholesome, and

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Undoubtedly the best Beer

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THE CITY OF PARIS,
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RECEIVED A NEW CON-
SIGNMENT OF

Hats, Lingerie

and Gowns,

&c., &c., &c.,

FROM PARIS.

DEATHS.

BLAKE.—At Dundee, Scotland, on the
10th May, 1908, (JAMES) the dearly beloved
Mother of J. J. BLAKE, aged 64 years.BLAKE.—At Tokond, West Coast of
Africa, on the 11th May, 1908, WILLIAM
CHARLES BLAKE, late 1. M. Customs,
China, the dearly beloved Brother of J. J.
Blake, aged 43 years.

North China papers please copy.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Auction.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, &c., at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's
Sales Rooms.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per Indrapura not cleared on this
date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, June 26.—

Noon—Auction of Manila Cigars, at Mr.
Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.3 p.m.—Auction of Diamond Rings, Ear-
rings, Brooches, &c., at Mr. Geo. P.
Lammer's Sales Rooms.

SATURDAY, June 27.—

Goods per Trieste undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

MONDAY, June 29.—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, at No. 8, Blue Buildings (Top
Floor).Goods per Calcutta undelivered after this
date subject to rent and landing charges.Goods per London undelivered after this
date subject to rent.Goods per Siberia undelivered at noon
on this date subject to rent.Goods per Glenelg not cleared on this
date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, June 30.—

Noon—Auction of Leasehold Property,
at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.Goods per Benares undelivered after this
date subject to rent.Goods per Dewandra not cleared at 4 p.m.
on this date subject to rent.

NOTICE.

Letters relating to business should be address-
ed to THE MANAGER.Communications relating to news should be
addressed to THE EDITOR.Correspondents must forward their names
and addresses with any communications ad-
dressed to the Editor, not for publication but
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on one side of the paper only.No anonymously signed communications that
have already appeared in other papers will be
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The China Mail

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 1908.

BUDDHISM IN CHINA.

A notice recently came to our notice in
which it was stated that seven men and
women, priests and nuns, professing the
Buddhist faith, have been brought from
the Luchau district to Canton, in order
to be examined by the officials as to the
doings of some priests of a "certain
country" that are preaching Buddhism
in the interior. It is worthy of note
that whenever Japan is referred to by
the Chinese press, or perhaps to be well
within the truth, generally when Japan
is referred to, it is spoken of as a "cer-
tain country." All this is well under-
stood, but the subterfuge is used, pre-
sumably, in order that the writers may
escape the possible charge of referring
to the country in question in such a
way as to bring upon themselves the ire
of the Consuls. It seems difficult to
explain the strange nomenclature on
any other supposition. Whatever may
be the motive of the writers, the refer-
ence is most certainly to Japan, and the
bringing of these people down to Can-
ton from the interior suggests that the
officials are at their wits' end to know

how to deal with the claims of Japan to

be allowed to preach Buddhism within

the borders of the Middle Kingdom.

Seven persons in all have been brought

to Canton, and among them apparently

there are some nuns. They are not

Japanese, but Chinese, and probably are

converts to the preachers who have been

sent into the interior. They have been

handed over to the Nankai magistrate

and have been brought up for examina-
tion. At the examination their dialect

could not be understood by those present

and an interpreter was necessary to

translate the patois spoken by the resi-
dents of this interior district of the Pro-
vince. The charge brought against

them was that, as the result of the

preaching of Buddhism, there were

troubles, and therefore they could not

be allowed to pursue their chosen voca-
tion. Nothing was reported in exten-
sive as to the results of the examination,but perhaps these will be published
later on. The position is one of con-
siderable difficulty. Why the Chinese

officials should object to the Japanese

preaching Buddhism in China can only
be explained upon political grounds.

Many of the officials themselves conform

to Buddhist rites on certain occasions,
and under certain conditions. Of coursethe Chinese literati are theoretically
all Confucianists, and if they wereasked to class themselves, as to their
religious preferences, they would, we

expect, with few exceptions, range

themselves under this banner. Still

this notwithstanding, it is well-known

that many of them are impregnated

with some of the ideals of Buddhism,
and that weddings and funerals, forexample, they seek the services of
Buddhist priests. But a glance at thehistory of Buddhism in China will dis-
cover that it is generally, by the so-callededucated classes, looked upon as an
alien religion, and is despised as such.At times, during its long term of ser-
vice in China, it has been vigorously

attacked and has been sometimes driven

to the last ditch in seeking to defend

itself. So then whilst it has been

patronised by sundry individuals among

the ruling classes, and has been looked

upon by the masses as their religion, it

has always more or less to defend itself,
and to take a subordinate position. Inaddition to this, moreover, the general
decay of Buddhism during the lasthundred years testifies to the scant re-
spect in which it is held by the moneyedclasses of the Empire, and to their un-
willingness to give of their means to

support the cult. There is nothing

truer in modern life to-day in China

than that the average Buddhist priest

looks quite out at the elbows, and has

little or nothing to recommend him to

the respect of the people. It is likely

that there are many of these votaries of

celibacy who are devoted to learning,
and who are well versed in the knowl-
edge that is bound up with their

system and its history. On the other

hand, the priests who are met with in
the streets, and in the average monas-
tery are such as might well cause re-
vulsion in the minds of the beholder,even though much of the visible life yet
to be seen in the towns and countryvillages is of a somewhat unattractive
type. These priests are often dirty;

they spend their days in begging, after

begging has ceased to be regarded as a
virtue by the masses of the people;Many of them are regarded as being by
no means devoted to the life that hasbeen chosen for them by their parents or
guardians. All this being so, it is per-
haps not to be wondered at that theofficials look with little favour upon
Buddhist priests, although there maystill be some Confucianists who seek
their assistance to get the souls of theirparents out of the Buddhist Purgatory,
and give them a filip to the heightsabove. When these facts are remem-
bered, and further, when the possibilityof political difficulties is not appar-
ently without foundation, it is perhaps nat-
ural that the Chinese officials should be

anxious to resist the ingress of a large

number of Buddhist priests into China
for the purpose of promulgating thetheories of life and death, held to be
true by the teachers of the Buddhist

religion. Whether the officials will be

successful in their attempt at resistance

remains to be seen. Japan, we suspect,

will not find it very difficult to show the

Chinese that her people have as much

right to be missionaries as those of any

other nationality, and if they elect to

preach Buddhism instead of Christiani-
ty, that is a choice that need not bar

their way into China, if they desire to

enter the country. If Buddhism is to

be in any sense the religion of the peo-
ple, it is certainly true that there is

plenty of room for its improvement as it

is understood and practised by the

Chinese to-day; on the other hand, if

the Chinese are Buddhist, why should

it be necessary that preachers of another

meat should come amongst them in order

to preach the faith which has been

received for nearly nineteen hundred

years. The situation is one of interest

for the thinker and the observer of the

trend of the times.

It is likely that, if China possessed

means of collecting and publishing

statistics that were thoroughly reliable,

whether compiled in Peking or in the

distant provinces, giving figures show-
ing the ravages of plague, pestilenceand famine, the result would be suffi-
ciently startling. We note in an out

of the way corner of a native journal a

statement that plague in the Sam Shui

district has invaded the District

Magistrate's Yamen (a fact, by the way,
daily reported by our correspondent)

and that within the official precincts

there had been several deaths from the

disease and, moreover, that the Magis-
trate himself and his principal secretary

were plague-stricken with the result

that official business in the district has

been suspended. This may be taken

as indicating that in that section of the

province there is a very serious outbreak

of the terrible disease. This is interest-
ing in that it suggests that the disease

may be working great havoc in parts

of China but that nothing will be

known of it unless some notability is

attacked.

Tidings of widespread disaster oc-
casioned by floods in a central area of

the adjacent province continue to reach

the Colony; where scenes that must

needs appeal to the minds of the com-
passionate are well depicted in the native

journals. It is stated that an influential

deputation of landed gentry from the

Tsung Yuen districts visited Canton

yesterday for the purpose of consulting

the native benevolent society in the pro-
vincial city with regard to the measuresof relief rendered requisite by the over-
whelming calamity that has overtaken

large areas of country bordering on this

section of the North river. The state-
ment is that during the past two days

the bursting of some of the principal

dykes in Tsung Yuen and the neigh-
bouring district of Sam Shui has ren-
dered large numbers of people for the

time homeless, and deprived them of all

means of support. There appears to be

INDIAN BOMB
OUTRAGES.COLLEGE DIRECTOR IM-
PLICATED.

Arrested in Chandernagore.

(Exclusive Service, Supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, June 23.

The "Morning Post" reports that the French officials at Chandernagore, the French settlement on the Hooghly, 17 miles north of Calcutta, have arrested and surrendered to the British authorities, Gupta, the Director of the Duplex College who is alleged to have been actively concerned in the operations of a bomb factory.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

London, June 22.

Bombs thrown at an East Bengal train near Barrackpore, wrecked a compartment, and grievously injured the occupants, including two Europeans.

CHINESE SEAMEN IN THE
UNITED KINGDOM.

London, June 22.

The language regulations in reference to Chinese seamen referred to by Mr. Churchill on the 13th instant, have been issued, and the Board of Trade is communicating with the Colonial Office in reference to facilities for providing natives of the Colonies and protectorates, especially the Straits and Hongkong, with birth certificates.

RUSSIA.

London, June 22.

St. Petersburg reports that the Financial Committee of the Council of the Empire, have re-inserted in the budget, the credit of eleven million roubles for new battleships originally rejected by the Duma.

A NEW STEAMSHIP SERVICE.

London, June 22.

Victoria and New South Wales are about to invite tenders for a steamship service to Shanghai.

THE MACEDONIAN QUES-
TION.

London, June 22.

Sir Edward Grey, replying to Mr. H. F. Lynch, Liberal Member for Ripon, said that Great Britain and Russia are in agreement on the question of Macedonian affairs, but that the other powers had not yet been consulted.

CHINA AND GERMANY.

CHINA'S CONSTITUTION.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

Peking, June 23.

In Sir Mu, who is now investigating the system of Government in Germany, wired on the 19th to the effect that he had been granted an audience with the Emperor of Germany. His Majesty said that he was extremely glad to give all assistance in his power to afford information relating to China's future constitution; but has pointed out that the system of Government in Germany while applicable in his country cannot be entirely so in China.

RAUB CRUSHING.

Messrs E. S. Kadori and Co. are in receipt of telegraphic advices from Singapore informing them that the result of the crushing of the Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd., for the past period of four weeks, yielded 995 ozs. gold, from 5,722 tons stone.

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

In the annual report of the China Association the following paragraph on the opium question occurs: "It is too soon to form an opinion as to the ultimate effect of the Edict decreasing the abolition of opium smoking and production, and the Association has held consistently aloof from the controversy involved. But the necessity of upholding treaty obligations rendered action imperative when attempts were made to form Government monopolies for the sale of the drug. By Article V. of the British Treaty of Nanking the Government of China expressly agreed to abolish 'at all ports where British merchants may reside' the practice of compelling which certain Chinese merchants collect Hong Merchants (i.e. Co. Hong), who had been licensed by the Chinese Government for this purpose, and Article XIV. of the French Treaty of Tientsin lays down still more emphatically that no privileged commercial association shall hereafter be established in China, nor any position of monopoly shall be granted to any individual or company. The Chinese Government has yielded to the protests which its subjects evoked, but that the attempt should have been made is not without significance."

A QUESTION OF SHARES.

The Duties of an Administrator.

An action by To Kuu, a widow of 22, Cause Road, to restrain H. P. Smith, administrator of the estate of the late Tong Ping E, from declaring that 260 shares in the Central Stores Limited, did not form part of the estate and for an injunction restraining defendant from representing to the directors thereof, that the said shares were part of the estate, and that the accounts of the dividends and interests be made up and paid to the plaintiff, came before the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Pigott, at the Supreme Court today.

Mr M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr P. M. Hodgson, appeared for the plaintiff, and the Hon. Mr H. E. Pollock, K. C., instructed by Mr Crowther Smith was for the administrator. The Central Stores Ltd., were represented, being neutral in the matter.

Mr Slade, in opening the case, said that Tong Ping E, the deceased, had been living with the plaintiff, as she was his second concubine for about twenty-nine years. About ten months or so before his death he gave her the shares in question. He executed the transfers and signed his name in the presence of witnesses, or rather, he fancied he had signed his name, and called in witnesses in their presence acknowledged his name. It was a good execution and he gave these shares to plaintiff as a provision for her. She had the shares and transfers in her possession for a considerable time, absolutely in her custody. Sometime in 1895 plaintiff went to Shanghai from Hongkong, and she left the shares with the deceased in order that he might pay a call on them which was nearly due when she left. The deceased did so and afterwards went to his home in the country, apparently taking the shares with him. Shortly afterwards he died quite unexpectedly, and the plaintiff after hearing of his death, went to the country house of the deceased, where the other wives, who knew of the transaction, because he had informed them of it and had also told them that none of the estate in the country would go to her, handed the shares and certificates to the plaintiff, who returned to Hongkong, but when the shares which had been blank, were filled in and sent for registration it was refused. About this time a family meeting was held in the country, and according to the Chinese custom of calling the people together to prove the estate was allotted out to the several members of the family, amongst whom were three sons, all infants. There were three copies of the papers made and handed to the mothers of the sons. The papers had been drawn up by the first wife.

Mr Pollock—Surely that cannot be relevant to the present claim? Mr Slade—I will try to show that it is relevant. It was done in the presence of the members of the family, and others and clannish. The deceased did leave instructions with his family before his death for the division of the property. Hon. Mr Pollock—Also object to that as being irrelevant. Continuing, Mr Slade said the administrator in his action had been most unreasonable. Statements by the deceased against himself were evidence against himself. His Lordship—What attitude does the administrator take up? Mr Pollock—We require the action to be proved, that is that she is not entitled to the declaration she asks for as she is not the owner of the property. Mr Slade said the division papers drawn up in that manner dealt with the whole of the property of the deceased and provided for the members of the family who were required to be provided for out of the property of the deceased. The shares were not dealt with in these papers, as they were known to the family not to belong to the deceased at the time of his death. Mr Pollock—These division papers have been concocted for this case. They are not pleaded. Mr Slade—It is part of my evidence. Mr Pollock—My friend is laying tremendous stress on these documents. His Lordship—I don't consider the duties of an administrator more serious as regards infants than adults. Mr Pollock—Oh, yes, my Lord. An administrator is liable to an action by the infants, whereas it is not so in the case of adults. His Lordship—I quite agree with you. Mr Slade, continuing, said that in the will there was no reference to the shares. Deceased therein mentioned his house which was the only other property which he had in Hongkong. Evidence was then called. The case was adjourned.

PLAQUE DECREASED.

The President of the Sanitary Board, the Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, at the meeting held yesterday evening, said that the members would be pleased to hear that there was a decrease in the number of plague cases during the past three weeks. Mr Shelton Hooper suggested that the Board might get a return of the deaths from plague in the Canton Hospitals, which, he understood was less than in Hongkong. The Board might get it for what it was worth.

THE KOWLOON HOTEL.

Considerable changes have been made at the Kowloon Hotel of late and this well-known house is now entirely renovated and repainted. On Saturday the new private bar and private billiard room will be opened. A public billiard room is in course of construction at the rear of the public bar. The dining room has been enlarged and the gardens have been improved and will be illuminated with electric lights each evening. A new chef has been engaged and on his arrival light refreshments, including ice-cream and cakes, will be served with afternoon tea on the lawn. No expense has been spared in any direction and the improvements are such as will enhance the popularity of the Hotel. Mr E. Owen, the proprietor, is to be congratulated on the changes he has made. On Saturday next a musical dinner will be given, the band of the 16th Mahratta Light Infantry having been engaged for the occasion.

WEST RIVER AND
PIRACY.

We observe that the Viceroy of the Two Kwang has made further recent representations to Peking regarding the piracy on the English gunboats of the West River. His Excellency urges that the policing of this river—the great waterway of trade in the Southern provinces—should be entirely in the hands of the Chinese authorities and that no longer exists for English gunboats to enter the waters. He appears to feel keenly the present conditions of piracy, which he regards as humiliating and unbecoming for the further communication with and the withdrawal of the gunboats brought about with all medical necessity.

Into the large and important questions which are involved we do not propose to enter. The moment that China is able to convince the Powers concerned that the highways of the Empire, used largely for foreign trade, are protected adequately, interference of the kind from outside will cease. Few things arising out of the relations between China and the West have probably been more salutary in their effects than has the determination which Western Powers have evinced to protect their trade in inland China. Conscious that the Chinese mandarin is unable or unwilling, in the interests of foreign trade, to keep order, the necessity of taking steps to secure that commerce shall be unimpeded has been forced upon the Powers. The result has been that native officials have had a view of the Western commerce in relation to Government protection, a relation which holds its responsibilities and duties of which the Chinese had previously no keen sense or even clear vision. New ideals and standards have been set before the officials, not only as possible and desirable but also as urgently called for and essential to the maintenance of well ordered control.

It has taken decades to deal in any satisfactory manner with riverine piracy, which, however, had been established and developed for at least many decades before serious and systematic endeavours at suppression were organised.

Nor will those who know much of the interior of these southern provinces admit for one moment that the provincial Government has shown itself adequate to the proper protection of trade on the land routes or on the waterways. Where the condition of things is settled and law and order are established the reasons are almost always seen to lie among the people inhabiting particular sections of country who have combined together to put down crime and lawlessness. Where the condition of things is unsettled, within certain limits, in effecting their object, with little or no aid from the officials who a proper business it is to protect the populace.

In other regions where the dwellers in peaceful-looking villages are in league with evil doers, the latter, whether on land or water, contrive to work their will; scenes of robbery and violence become characteristic of the country-side, and journeying in the interests of commerce becomes perilous. It is because this state of affairs has been shown to exist in parts of the districts abutting on the West River that the patrol of this waterway was forced upon Great Britain. When British lives had been lost in piracies on the river and that within recent date, it has to be shown clearly that they are now safe before public opinion will consent to the withdrawal of the existing safeguards.

SPORTING.

Home Cricket.

PLAYERS FOR TO-MORROW.
Leeds, M.C.C. and Cambridge University.
Oval, Surrey v. Oxford University.
Leiston, Essex v. Middlesex.
Derby, Derbyshire v. Worcestershire.
Nottingham, Notts v. Yorkshire.
Gloucester, Gloucestershire v. Sussex.
Liverpool, Lancashire v. Somerset.
Worcester, Warwickshire v. Kent.

NEWS BY THE MAIL.

The mail brought details of several interesting matches played between May 24 and 28. After being set 374 to get against Hampshire in the first innings, Middlesex scored 313 for one wicket, P. F. Warner and F. A. Tarrant both getting three figures. On the following day Middlesex declared with nine wickets down for 502 runs, but the match was drawn. Surrey, playing for the County of England, scored 245 and Oxford replied with 201 for no wickets. T. Bowring scored 106 and H. Tiesdale 90, both not out.

The most noticeable performances were:
F. A. Tarrant, for Middlesex v. Hampshire 157
J. A. Cuffe, for Worcester v. M.C.C. 137
C. B. Llewellyn, for Hampshire v. Middlesex 130
R. Rolfe, for Sussex v. Leicestershire 128
* A. J. Hill, for Hampshire v. Middlesex 110
P. F. Warner, for Middlesex v. Hampshire 110
F. H. Mugliston, for Cambridge v. Leicestershire 109
* T. Bowring, for Oxford v. Gloucestershire 106
V. P. S. Crawford, for Leicestershire v. Sussex 106
* not out.

BOWLING.
—Newman, for Hampshire v. Middlesex 8 for 123
—P. H. Hargreaves, for Surrey v. Cambridge 6 for 13
—H. Hargreaves, for Lancashire v. Cambridge 6 for 74
—T. W. W. for Notts v. Gloucester 6 for 74
—H. Hargreaves, for Hampshire v. Gloucestershire 6 for 82
—G. Simpson, for Hampshire v. Gloucestershire 6 for 82
—Worcester v. Somerset 6 for 82
—T. J. Jones, for Leicestershire v. Surrey 6 for 82

STEARNS' HEADACHE CURE.—This is a really quick cure for headaches of all kinds. Contains no opiate. But it must be taken. All chemists. Why not try it?

SANITARY BOARD.

Conveniences at Kowloon.

MR. SHELTON HOOPER AND THE GOVERNMENT.

The Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson presided over a meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday evening when there were present the Hon. Mr. W. Chubb, D. P. W., Hon. Mr. Irving, Hon. Mr. H. W. Slade, Captain Lyons, Messrs Shelton Hooper, Lau Chi Pak, Fung Wa Chun, Dr. Pearce, Mr. O. H. Dr. Macfarlane, Assistant M. O. H. and the secretary, Mr. C. Mc. Messer.

A reply from the Government with regard to permitting water closets at Kowloon was read as follows:—Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th June, 1908.—Sir, With reference to your letter of the 14th ultimo, and to previous correspondence on the subject of the recent decision of the Sanitary Board to allow closets in certain buildings in Kowloon, I am directed to acquaint you for the information of the Board that in view of the importance of the question of the further introduction of the water closets in the Colony and of the adverse medical and other expert opinion to such introduction, H. E. the Governor has deemed it prudent to amend section 162 of Ordinance 1 of 1903 by the insertion of the words "and the consent of the Governor-in-Council" after the words "without the permission of the Board."

I am, Sir, your obedient servant.—F. H. May.

Mr Shelton Hooper said—Sir, I think that individual members of the Board would be wanting in self-respect if they allowed this letter to pass this Board without comment. After reading the letter Mr Hooper proceeded—It is well that His Excellency should know the history of the action of the Sanitary Board in this matter. An application was made for a water closet in a house in Kowloon. That was the first application not having become general. The Board said they would like to go into the whole question and be advised on the principle as to whether we should have them or not. A committee was formed composed of the Hon. Director of Public Works, myself, and the Hon. Medical Officer of Health, and we considered the subject being so important that we should ascertain the opinions of medical men and civil engineers. Accordingly we sent out circulars to most of the medical men and civil engineers of the Colony. We received those views and I am quite prepared to admit that the majority were against the introduction of water closets and the reasons given were that the Harbour might become polluted and that roads of trees might destroy the drains which would become insanitary and perhaps spread disease. Notwithstanding this adverse opinion the committee, viewing it from a hygienic point of view but from the point of expediency and looking at the precedent which had been set by the Board with regard to a similar purpose in 1895 or 1896 we came to the conclusion that we were not adverse to the principle of water closets but that every application should come before the Board in the same way that has always been done and be dealt with on its merits. It seems to me that to take away from the Board, composed of ten by repute intelligent men—two of them members of the Executive Council, four members of the Legislative Council, four sitting here ex-officio as holding high offices in the Government, and two Europeans nominated by His Excellency, one of whom is supposed to look after the sanitation of the troops in this Colony—the Principal Medical Officer—may be thought that these men would not be actuated by any other motive than that of the general good of the Colony in dealing with any applications that came before the Board. Therefore I am sure that we must feel it a slight on the Board that to simply a matter should be taken away from our consideration, and what I think perhaps accentuated the feeling is we bear in the language used by the Hon. Colonial Secretary in the Legislative Council in which he charged this Board with acting in defiance of the medical opinion of this Colony. Now, on turning to the time when this committee's report came before the Board for adoption or otherwise, I find that the Hon. Director of Public Works was absent, but we may take it he supported it as it was his recommendation as chairman of that committee. Mr Lau Chi Pak was present, Mr Humphreys, myself and Mr Slade and Colonel Martin, Principal Military Medical Officer of South China. They all supported it, the Registrar General and yourself voting against it, the Captain Superintendent of Police and Mr Fung Wa Chun being absent. I say we did not go against the medical opinion of this Colony by the fact that Colonel Martin supported the adoption of the report. I will now ask leave to refer to the report of the Committee appointed by the Sanitary Board to consider the question of the advisability of adopting the system of water closets in the city of Victoria. They adopted a similar course to ours and sent out circulars which contained twenty-five questions and I would just briefly refer to the answers given by several medical men and that of the Assistant Harbour Master. After reading several extracts showing that the writers favoured the introduction of water closets, Mr Hooper continued—I have quoted those opinions to show what, in 1896, was the opinion of an important section of the community on this subject. To-day the drainage is in a far better condition than it was then and our water supply very much superior. If you take the water supply of Kowloon, the actual place in question, it is far better and of greater quantity per head than we have in Victoria. I have made these remarks in order to justify the action

which has been taken by this Board, and for the information of His Excellency, who, I am afraid, has been ill advised in taking the action he has in depriving us of a portion of our duties given to us entirely by law. I challenge any member of the Government, from His Excellency downwards, and I ask you to support it, to point out one case in which we have abused these powers. I do not propose any resolution but I would ask if the Press do report it that a copy may be sent from this Board to the Government.

CHINA SOCIETY.

Annual Meeting in London.

(From Our Correspondent.)

London, May 20.

The members of the China Society in London gathered with their friends in the Empire Rooms of the Trocadero Restaurant last night and celebrated their second annual dinner. There was a preliminary reception by the Chinese Minister, Lord Li Ching T'ung, who, as President, presided at the dinner.

There were also present in the gathering His Excellency Wan-tai-shi, formerly Minister in London and now special Commissioner to study Western Administrative Methods, Count Mutsu, Mr. J. McLeavy Brown, Mr. Ivan Chen, Sir Charles Dudgeon, Admiral Sir E. Fremantle, Sir Thomas Jackson, Lady Pelly, Lady Cameron, Mrs. Forrester, Miss Gordon, Mrs. Boyd, Miss Pirks, Mrs. Jorden, Miss J. Hannan, Messrs C. Allen, C. S. Addis, H. J. Allen, Angier A. W. Balm, J. C. Bois, R. H. Boyce, Byron Brennan, T. B. Brennan, T. Brown, Bullock, Burdett, Buxill, Crammer-Byng, Carter, G. Y. Chow, Dr. Cantillo, O. Coughtrie, De Lando, De Bertoldo, D'Almeida, J. C. Dodwell, Elbert, Everard, H. A. Giles, L. Giles, McGregor Grant, Hartley, H. Harwood, C. Hannan, Hillier, R. Hill, Honda, S. Y. Hsu, George Jamieson, Dr. Johnson, J. Joseph, W. E. King, L. C. Leung, J. S. Mackintosh, F. J. Marshall, Mayers, E. R. P. Moon, Mynors, Rev. George Owen, Dr. Reid, Rayner, R. L. Richardson, T. W. Richardson, B. Robertson, H. W. Robertson, Salinger, Sakata, Sharpe, C. K. Shen, B. C. E. Scott, W. Brayton Shaker, J. H. Scott, Silverstone, J. de B. Smith, Souter, Stockwell, Tomkinson, Townsend, B. G. Tours, Ward and A. Zimmern.

Grace was pronounced by the Rev. George Owen and an excellent dinner was served. Then Lord Li proposed in turn the toasts of "The King" and "His Imperial Majesty the Chinese Emperor" in a few well-chosen words. His Excellency was an acquiescent. It is not doubt that Wang-tai-shi, his predecessor, who sat by his side, last night, was a shrewd diplomat, but his lack of English made him little more than a figure head at social functions, whereas Lord Li with his command of our tongue and his urbane manner makes an ideal host. He has a most popular supporter in his Chief Secretary, Ivan Chen, who has a ready fund of lively wit that I find delightful at all these meetings.

Lord Li then proposed the toast of prosperity to the China Society in felicitous language, commenting on the advance of communications between London and Peking and the usefulness of the Society in making the people of Great Britain and of China understand each other.

Mr Geo. Jamieson gave the health of the Chinese Minister who had recently come among them with a record of achievements already great and an added reputation as a member of the great family to which the late Li Hung Chang belonged. Mr Jamieson further eulogised the Chinese progressive movement, and foretold great advances till China took a prominent place among the nations of the world.

The toast was enthusiastically honoured and then Mr Jamieson gained fresh applause by proposing the health of Mr. Byron Brennan, the popular honorary secretary, who was "the guiding spirit of the Society." Mr Brennan had a great reception and spoke enthusiastically of the progress of the society.

Mr Jamieson announced that, through the kind influence of Wang-tai-shi, the Society had reached the notice of the Emperor of China and his Majesty had ordered a complete Imperial Edition of nearly 4000 volumes of the Chinese Encyclopedia to be sent as a token of recognition. He called upon Mr Ivan Chen to make a statement as to the progress of the Society.

Mr Ivan Chen was very well received and responded in a charming speech of wit and wisdom. He detailed the gifts made to the Society and spoke of the importance of the Chinese Encyclopedia. In future when correspondents asked him such questions as "What is the origin of the Chinese-Mandarin duck?" he would not confess his ignorance but would refer them to the Encyclopedia. During the year they had added 25 new members, but had lost some by resignation and "some had gone away for ever." The present total was 220 and they had a balance in hand of £83.

The report was adopted and the officers of the Society were re-elected. There was a merry hour or so of chat before the company dispersed.

AN AUSTRALIAN COMMERCIAL
TRAVELLER'S STORY.

IT is the commercial traveller who finds the many changes of climate and water trying. Mr. Chas. G. Chapman, who represents a large Brisbane concern, had been troubled for years with chronic diarrhoea. On one of his trips a fellow traveller recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and this is what he says of it: "I procured a bottle and experienced great relief after taking a few doses. Before the bottle was finished I was cured and have not been troubled since." This remedy is for sale by all chemists and druggists.

THE CANTON FLOOD.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, June 23.

Relief parties have left here for the up river districts with large quantities of rice and mat bags. The Cheap Rice Distribution Bureau has been most energetic in making more preparations for the demands of the sufferers. Owing to strong currents steam launches have found it difficult to proceed further North and it will be some time before the relief parties reach the chief scene of distress.

The capsizing of two passenger junks running between Suiwan and Shao Hing is reported and it is stated that several hundred deaths have occurred.

The Sanatui Magistrate has sent an urgent request to the Viceroy for relief. Thousands of persons are homeless in his districts.

An embankment which protected more than 100 villages gave way during the flood and the inhabitants have been deprived of their homes, and some were drowned.

The charitable institutions met here yesterday for the purpose of raising relief funds. The proposal that invitations be made for public subscriptions under the auspices of the Seventy-two Guilds has been adopted. It was also resolved to join the business guilds in a petition to the Viceroy requesting him to memorialise the throne for relief funds. It was further agreed to invite members of the various guilds to serve on a committee for the immediate distribution of rice and the preparation of other affairs in connection with relief work. A request has also been made to the Tung Wah Hospital, Hongkong, for assistance and to other charitable institutions abroad. It is estimated that over 1,000,000 persons are suffering at present.

Relief Work.

Just as the directors of the Tung Wah Hospital were being approached by some philanthropic compatriots of theirs with a view to raising a fund for the relief of the poor sufferers in the villages of the north and west rivers, whose fields are still under water and whose homes have been washed away two telegrams were received from the charitable institutions and the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Canton, one appealing for immediate assistance and the other asking if the Tung Wah Hospital would co-operate by enlisting the sympathy of the Chinese abroad.

Accordingly yesterday evening at 7.30 a meeting of the leading Chinese merchants and public men was convened to discuss the matter. Shortly after the meeting started another telegram from Canton was received requesting that two hundred piculs of biscuits should be purchased and sent up by the night boats without delay. At the meeting it was resolved to send out subscription lists at once and, pending the collection of subscriptions a sum of \$10,000 from the balance of the Californian Relief Fund should be telegraphed to Canton immediately. The meeting was informed that the distress is very widely spread and of a very serious nature, the like of which has never been seen before. As compared with what took place a few days ago it is a much greater calamity and will require a much larger sum of money for the relief of the unfortunate people.

PROPOSED SWIMMING CLUB
IN CANTON.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, June 23.

The European community here propose establishing a swimming club and the following prospectus has been issued:

It is proposed to form a Swimming Club on the British concession, the site for which would have to be obtained through the Municipal Council from H.B.M. Board of Works.

In order to commence, and prior to going any further into the details of the scheme, it is necessary to know what will be the support obtainable to meet expenses.

The intended scheme is hardly one on which a loan from Banks could be raised and it is hoped that individuals, considering the recreation, comfort and physical benefit which the scheme would confer, will subscribe thereto. It would be also very desirable that firms assist by subscribing, the investment being a reasonable one, especially if it is considered that the population of the Foreign Concessions of Canton is increasing yearly with every prospect of continuing to do so.

It is proposed that the Club should be established on the customary basis of Clubs, i.e. members duly elected by a Committee, etc., only such persons as are holders of at least one share, as mentioned below, being eligible for election. However, as the character of the scheme is, above all, intended to benefit the community, the Committee would endeavour to make suitable arrangements permitting non-members to avail themselves of the swimming bath at specified times and at reasonable charges. And a moderate amount, raised in this manner, has been taken into account in the estimate of revenue.

Building.—The cost of the building is likely to be some \$25,000, which sum it is proposed to raise in 250 shares of £100 each, bearing interest at 6% per annum. The expenses and revenues are estimated on the following basis:—\$25,000 per cent \$1000; supply of water from waterworks @ \$250 per month \$3000; General Expenses, \$1000. Total \$5500. Subscription of say 100 members @ \$50 per annum \$5000; of 20 ladies @ \$25 per annum \$500; Municipal contribution for fire purpose \$500; Non Members making use of the bath \$250. Total \$8200.

Should the above estimate of revenue prove correct, provision would be made for the redemption of a certain number of shares every year, preference being given to those shares held by firms, or individuals not making actual use of the bath. Messrs. Richards, Robertson, and Spalding, have volunteered to act as a steering Committee.

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Things are evidently pretty bad in Penang. The "Straits Echo" of recent date says: "We regret to have to record the failure of three local firms. These are two Chinese firms and one Kling firm. One Chinese firm and the Kling firm were piece goods dealers and the other Chinese trader was a general storekeeper. The Kling firm failed for \$40,000, but the liabilities of the other two are not yet known."

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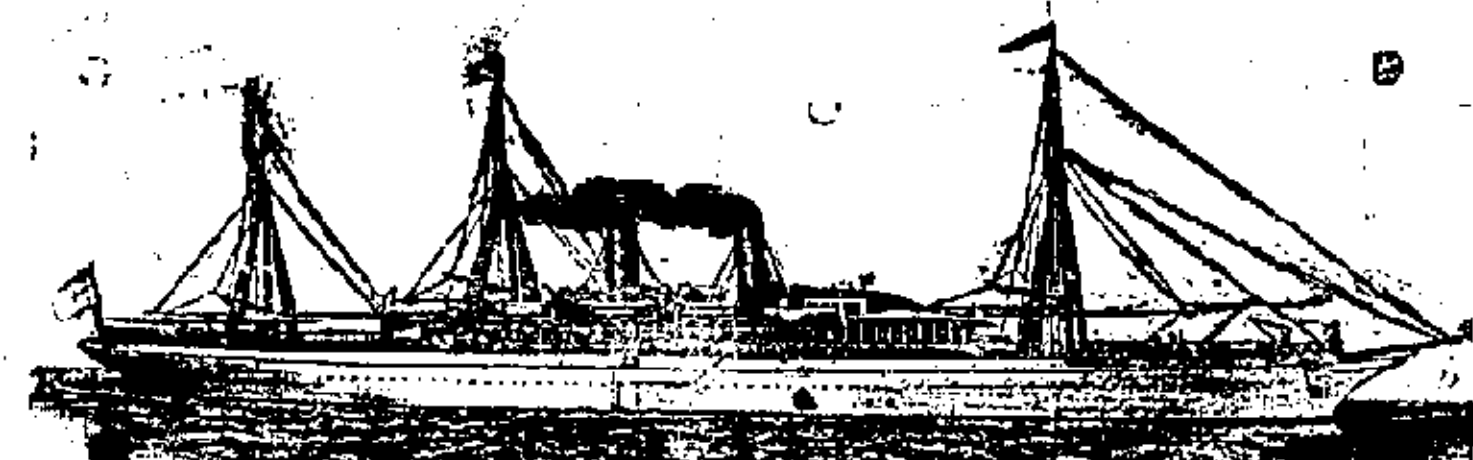
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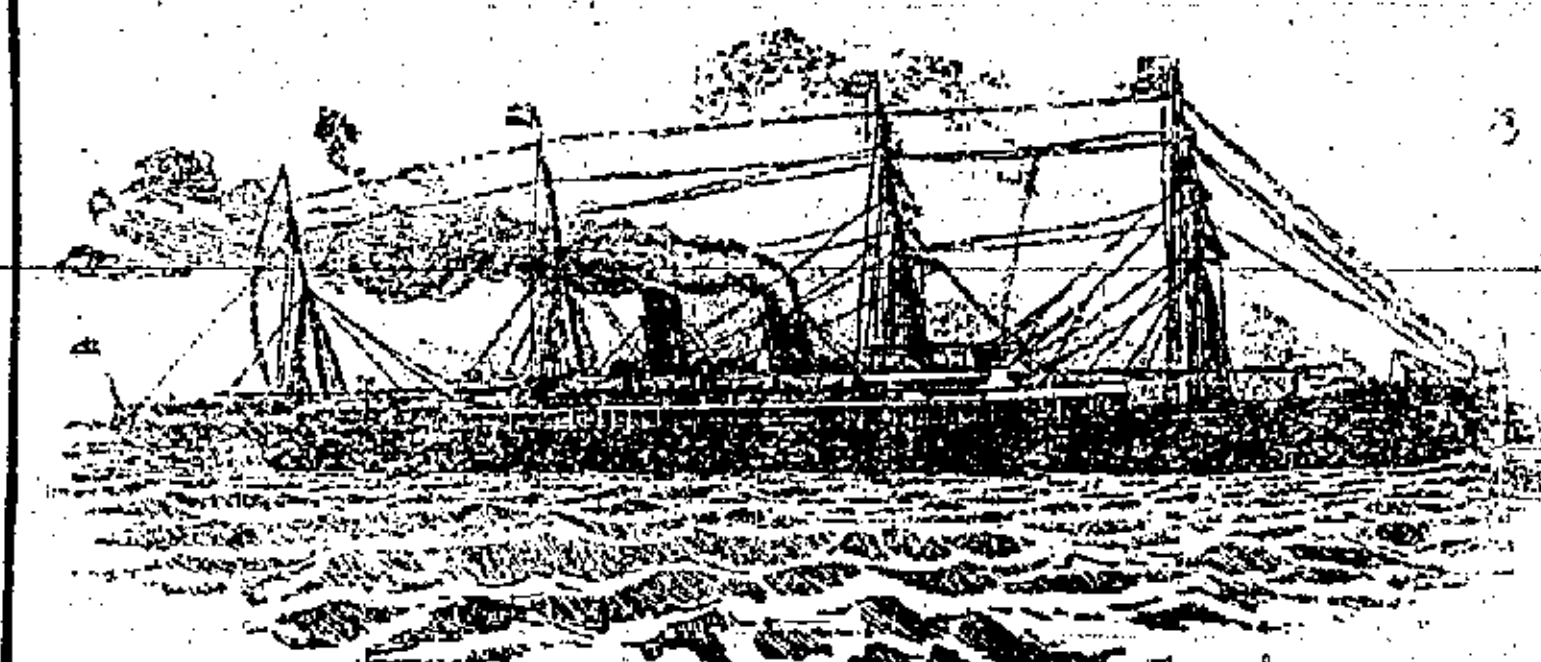
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SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA	KUMSANG	TUESDAY, June 30, at Noon.
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SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.....	TOURANE	LANCERIN	July 6, p.m.
MARSEILLES, Via PORT, POLYNESIE, MARTIN	ARMAND BEHIC	GUYONNET	July 7, at 1 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.....	ARMAND BEHIC	GUYONNET	July 20, p.m.
MARSEILLES, Via PORT, CALEDONIE, LEMOYNIER	LEMOYNIER		July 21, at 1 p.m.

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CHOSHUN MARU, Capt. T. SUEGUA	SHANGHAI, Via SWATOW, AMOY AND POCHOW	SUNDAY, 28th June, at 9 a.m.
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Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER CALEDONIE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. *Caladonie*, from Bordeaux ex s.s. *Caladonie*, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, To-day, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, and Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 29th June, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 29th June, or they will not be recognized. All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 29th June, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected. P. NALIN, Acting Agent. Hongkong, June 22, 1908. 910

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship *Siberia*. The above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after WEDNESDAY, 24th June, 1908, at 5 p.m., will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected. All Cargo undelivered at Noon, MONDAY, June 29th, 1908, will be subject to rent. All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godown on SATURDAY, June 27th, at 10 a.m. S. SILVERSTONE, Agent. Hongkong, June 22, 1908. 912

'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *BENEDI*.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th inst. will be subject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 7th July, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th inst., at 11 a.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, June 23, 1908. 914

'MOGUL' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP *LOTHIAN*.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th inst. will be subject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 28th June, 1908, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th inst., at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents. Hongkong, June 22, 1908. 909

'INDRA' LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship *Indrapura*, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. Goods not cleared by the 28th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognized. Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, To-day. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Hongkong, June 19, 1908. 897

KING MANUEL'S FIRST LOVE.

Lisbon, May 17.

The Mundo prints a romantic story about King Manuel's attachment for the young daughter of a lady in waiting to Queen Amelia which threatens to disrupt the matrimonial plans which are being laid for him. King Carlos and Queen Amelia were fully aware of the fondness of Manuel when a Prince for the girl, who is connected with the highest Portuguese nobility, but they considered it simply a childish fancy. Since Manuel's unexpected accession to the throne a suitable alliance with a European royal house is regarded as a necessity of state. Queen Amelia and the Duke of Oporto have been casting about for an available Princess, both having one of British extraction because of the close relations between the countries. A few days ago they were openly canvassing the matter in the King's presence, when to their great surprise he suddenly announced as his unalterable choice his early love and proclaimed his determination either to marry her or nobody. Remonstrances on the ground of reasons of state were without effect, and, as a consequence, the lady in waiting and her daughter will be asked to go abroad, in the hope that a long separation will cure the King of his boyhood's love.

EXPLAINING THE VACUUM.

Two commercial travellers, while in a train, got into an argument over the action of the vacuum brake. "It's the inflation of the tube that stops the train," declared the first traveller. "Wrong, wrong!" shouted the second. "It's the output of the exhaustion." So they wrangled for an hour. Then, when the train arrived at the station, they agreed to submit the matter for settlement to the driver. That gentleman, leaning condescendingly from the window of his cab, listened with an attentive frown to the two travellers' statement of their argument. Then he smiled, shook his head, and said: "Well, gents, you're both wrong about the working of the vacuum brake. Yet it's very simple and easy to understand. When we want to stop the train we just turn this 'cup' tap, and then we fill the pipe with vacuum."

Notices to Consignees.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship *Trieste* having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that Goods will be landed into the Godowns and/or extra Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 27th June, 1908, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 27th June, 1908, will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WHEELER & Co., Agents, Prince's Buildings. Hongkong, June 20, 1908. 907

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Kumgang* having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 24th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Hongkong, June 22, 1908. 911

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

'GLEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM ANTWERP, HULL, MID-DELSBRO, LONDON AND PORTS.

THE Steamship *Glenstee* having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence each consignment will be sorted out, mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed. Goods not cleared by the 28th June, will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected. All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th June, at 11 a.m. No claims will be recognized if not presented within 14 days of the ship's arrival. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Hongkong, June 22, 1908. 913

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co.'s Steamship *Namang* having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 12 o'clock Noon, the 22nd inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Hongkong, June 19, 1908. 895

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Thursday, June 18th, 1908.

At 100 cents per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.

Beef, whole and prime cut—Mal Lang Pa...	th 20
Beef, Corned—Ham Ngan Yai...	19
Beef, Roast—Shin...	20
Beef, Breast—Nagu Lam...	13
Soup—Tong Yik...	5
Steak—Ngan Yik Pa...	20
Onion Ngan Lan Sirlon...	18
Sausages—Ngan Chung...	26
Bullock's Brains—Shaw...	per set 10
Tongue—Fresh—Ngan Tai...	each 10
Comed—Ham Ngan Lai...	55
Head—Ngan Tau...	10
Heart—Ngan Sam...	14
Hump—Nai—Ngan Rin...	18
Feet—Ngan Kerk...	each 10
Kidneys—Ngan Yik...	10
Tail—Ngan Mai...	17
Liver—Ngan Con...	12
Tripe (pressed)—Ngan To...	7
Calves Head and Feet—Ngan-chai-kak, set...	\$1.00
Mutton Chop—Young Fat Kwai...	12
Leg—Young Fat...	22
Shoulder—Young Shaw...	20
Pigs' Chittings—Chi Chong...	24
Brains—Chi Know...	per set 2
Feet—Oh Kerk...	12
Fry—Chi Chak...	10
Head—Chi Tau...	13
Heart—Chi Sun...	each 9
Kidneys—Chi Yik...	8
Liver—Chi On...	13
Pork Chop—Chi Fat Kwai...	23
Corned—Ham Chu Yik...	11
Leg—Chi Fat...	23
Fat or Lard—Oh Yau...	13
Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Tau Kerk...	5
Heart—Young Sun...	each 6
Kidneys—Young Yik...	10
Liver—Young Con...	12
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai...	22
Swet, Beef—Sang Ngan Yau...	20
Mutton—Sang Young Yau...	14
Veal—Ngan Chai Yik...	20
Sausages—Ngan Chai Chong...	20

Poultry.

Chicken—Kai Chai...	th 50
Ducks—Large, Small—Sin Kai...	30
Ducks—Ago...	20
Doves—Pan Kau...	each 18
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan...	per dozen 20
Geese, Canton—Kai...	12
Balcan—Hoi Nam Kai...	25
Geese—Ngor...	19
Geese, Wild Sh'at—Sze Yee Ngoi, pair...	10
Musk Deer—Wong Keng...	each 10
Hare, Shanghai—Tu Chai...	10
Partridge—Che Kow...	11
Pheasant—Shan Kai...	pair 12
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap...	each 18
Holow—Hoi Hoi Pak Kap...	23
Quail—Um Chan...	18
Rice Birds—Wo Ka Cheuk...	dozen 10
Snipe—Sa Chey...	each 10
Turkeys—Cook—Phor Kai Kung...	65
Han...	Na 60
Wild Ducks, Sh'at—Shanghs-Sai-pai...	10
Goat—Sui Ai Chai...	10
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Sing Sai Ap...	10

Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yu...	10
Bream—Bin Yu...	15
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu...	15
Carp—Ed Yu...	10
Outfish—Chik Yu...	12
Jodfish—Mun Yu...	16
Snake—Hoi...	8
Stickle Fish—Mak Yu...	14
Dah—Ba Wang Yu...	15
Dace—Wong Mei Lan...	10
Dog Fish—Tsi To Se...	9
Sole, Congor—Hoi Mann...	15
Sole, Fresh water—Tam Sin Yu...	15
Sole, Yellow—Wong Sin...	28
Frog—Tien Kai...	32
Grouper—Sak Pan...	48
Judgeon—Pak Kap Yu...	3
Herring—Tao Pak...	20
Salibut—Cheung Kwan Kip...	14
Lobster—Wong Fa Yu...	18
Eel—Wu Yu...	28
Loberster—Lung Ha...	30
Mackerel—Oh Yu...	18
Monk Fish—Mong Yu...	28
Minibut—Chai Yu...	21
Oyster—Sang Hoo...	20
Pan oyster—Kai Kung Yu...	18
Perch—Yau Hoo...	15
Pike—Pa Paw Pong...	8
Plaice—Pan Yu...	18
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong...	21
Pomfret, White, Pak Chong...	22
Sawna—Ming Ha...	48
Say—Fai Pa Se...	8
Brook Fish—Sak Kai Kung...	10
Rearch—Chu Yu...	28

Meat.

Salmon—Ma Yau Yu...	th 32
Shark—Sa Yu...	9
Skate—Po Yu...	10
Shrimps—Ha...	28
Snapper—Lap Yu...	24
Sole—Tat Sa Yu...	20
Tenoh—Wan Yu...	18
Turbot—Oho Hoi Yu...	24
Turtles, small, fresh water—Kork Yu...	80
White Bait—Ngan Yu Chai...	1

Fruits.

Almonds—Hing Yu...	th 24
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping Kho...	1
Cherries—Tin Chai Ping Kho...	1
Small—Hoi Tong...	18
Custard—Fan Lai Chi...	1
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—San Shing...	13
Bananas, (Orides), Macao—Sang Hing Chi...	1
Chestnuts, Chinese—Kong Lut...	10
Carambols—Young Tau...	1
Cocoanuts—Yeh Tau...	each 16
Longans, China—Ning Moung...	16
America—Kum San Ning Moung...	10
Lichees Dried—Lai Chi Small Stone...	10
Small—Hoi Tong...	12
Limes, (Sageon)—Sai Kung Ning Moung...	7
Mango, Manila—Lai Sang Moung...	10
Mangosteens—San Chuk Tai...	per 100 \$3.00
Oranges, (Canton)—San Shing Tin Chang...	14
Orange Sweet...	10
Pears, (American)—Kam San Shui Li...	16
Small—Cooking—Sa Li...	20
Peanuts—Fa Sang...	10
Persimmons Large—Hing Chi...	1
Pine-apples, 1st quality—Shueung Poon Ti...	8
Raw Low...	each 8
Shed cooking—Chung-tung-paw-law...	5
Plantains—Tsi Chou...	15
Plums—Swatow Hung Lai...	6
Pumelo, Siam—Chin Lo Yau...	each 18
Shanghai—Lo Kwai...	10
Walnuts—Hoi To...	12
Green—Sang Hoi To...	1
Water Melon—(Am.) Kum San Sai Kwa...	3
(China) Sai Kwa...	1
Grapes—Sang Po Tai...	1

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai—Shueung Hoi Ah...	th 10
Chai Cheuk...	1
Bonans, (French), Macao—Oh Moung Pin Yu...	8
(French), Shanghai—Shueung Hoi...	1

